

Merritt Named New Commander In ROTC Unit

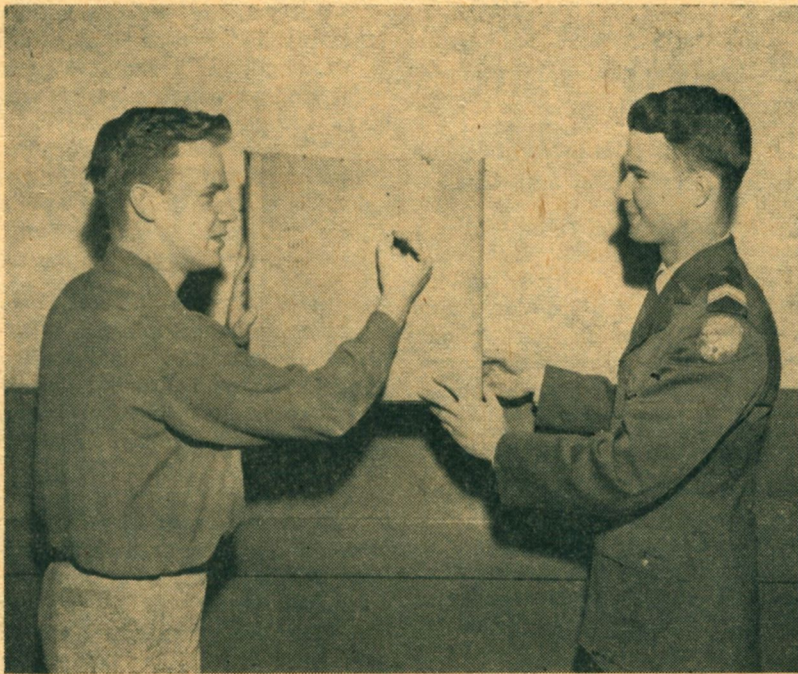
Cadet Major Grant J. Merritt has been named cadet commander for the ROTC corps spring quarter drill activities. Major Merritt will replace Cadet Major Harry H. Hagenbrock, cadet commander for the fall and winter quarters.

Staff members chosen by Merritt include Captains Ronald R. Jacott, Operations and Training officer; Robert D. Nelson, Administration and Personnel officer; Ronald R. Lief, Public Information officer; and Ronald R. Scott, Adjutant. Named flight leaders for the quarter were Major Hagenbrock and Captains Robert A. Juneo and Kenneth J. Kulus.

Drill activities will be pointed toward reaching military proficiency which will be climaxed by the corps' parade and review ceremony on the UMD athletic field May 17.

The corps will sponsor their annual Variety Show and Military Ball with the presentation of the "Sweetheart of the Corps" on April 22 and 23. The Arnold Society will direct the presentation of these twin events.

Ballot Boxes Studied



Jack Hautaluoma and Grant Merritt study a sample ballot box that they may be forced to use to handle the flood of ballots hoped for during the mass voting that is planned during the all school general election on April 22. All student government posts will be filled in the one day election.

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LSA to Host Spring Retreat For Lutheran Regional Group

Over 200 Lutheran students will participate in the Land O' Lakes Regional Retreat on April 15, 16, and 17 at Camp Ihduhapi, 35 miles west of Minneapolis.

The responsibilities of organizing these retreats are passed around within the region, with UMD LSA being the host group this spring. The main theme will be "Now That You're Here . . ." with a sub-topic "Are You Beginning to Wonder Why?" The latter will be discussed by a panel of Duluth LSA'ers. The main speaker Dr. Paul Homer, professor of philosophy at the main campus, will speak on the topics "Where Have You Been? Where Are You? Where Are You Going?"

Socials, seminars, and Bible studies will be compressed into the three day period. Prof. Rodney Davis of Gustavus Adolphus

Smoking Studies Given to Library

Two copies of "Smoking and Cancer—A Doctor's Report," by Alton Ochsner, past president of the American college of Surgeons and one of the most eminent cancer specialists in the world, have been presented to the UMD Library by Dr. William R. Bagley, one of the deans of Duluth medicine.

Information in the book included statistics obtained through the American Cancer Society, the Journal of the American Medical Association, the British Medical Journal, the Journal of Cancer, the Connecticut State Medical Journal and Archives of Industries Hygiene and Occupational Medicine.

In a personal note, Dr. Bagley says, "The truths in this book are being proved daily . . . Cancer isn't the only penalty. Heart disease now has first place as a killer."

College will lead the latter, while approximately 25 Christian men and women in the fields of education, engineering, medicine, and others, will lead the seminars, elaborating on the subject of "Communicating Your Faith." The chaplain will be Rev. Philemon Smith, pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church of Duluth. Regional officers will also be elected there.

Because of limited facilities, the number of registrations this spring is limited to 200-225 students. Two delegates are required from each college and from there an a "first come, first serve" basis will be followed.

The registration fee, which is to be paid in advance to Bill Fayling, the registrar at U.M.D., is \$3.50, and \$5.00 must be paid at the conference. All registrations must be in on, or before Monday, April 11. Vern Nelson is the general chairman.

Former Football Captain Returns to Join Faculty

Robert C. Murray, a 1952 UMD graduate cum laude, has been appointed as instructor in the UMD business and economics department to teach during the spring quarter which began Monday, March 28.

His appointment was announced by Dr. Richard O. Sie-laff, chairman of the division of social studies, of which the department is a part.

A native of International Falls, Murray won numerous awards

at the Border City high school and at UMD. His honors included the American Legion medal for citizenship, the Anderson-Dahle and "M" club awards in athletics and selection in "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges."

He captained the 1951 football team in a campaign that brought them to the season's finale with Gustavus Adolphus to decide the title between the two teams. He was chosen MIAC all-conference end that season.

He recently completed army service in the artillery, including duty as a physical training instructor. He is a native of International Falls.

Students Leave For National Capital

Leaving for Washington D. C. today, six UMD students and their advisor will be representing the Lutheran Student Association at a national convention. Those attending the week long conclave sponsored by the Divisions of Public Relations of the National Lutheran Council and Missouri Synod are Marjorie Dahl, Wilma Stageberg, Harriet Nyberg, Warren Hanson, Norman Armilla, Rod Anderson, and Miss Bonnie Sorem, UMD LSA advisor.

Meetings of the United States Senate and House of Representatives will be attended by the students and a tour of the capitol city will be taken. Luncheon meetings, informal discussions, and panels with church and government officials will also serve as a means of studying the role of the Christian church within government and the value and need of Christian principles in every working phase of the governing bodies.

With only 150 students invited to the meeting from the nation as a whole, this region will be well represented with the seven delegates from UMD.

An increasingly serious problem has caused sufficient concern to call for the assistance of outside law enforcement agencies. This is the matter of parking in the Main Campus driveway. Continuance of this will cause ticketing of cars by local authorities as well as UMD staff. The cause for concern is fire safety since the driveway is a fire-lane and must be kept clear.

Many cars are parked on the driveway in the late evening which could actually use the Washburn Hall lot.

Commission Readies Election Procedures

A revised system of election procedures that would call for a one-day general election of all student officers, and Grant Merritt's 15 point spring agenda were presented to the UMD Student Commission, which met last Tuesday for the first time in their final quarter of legislative work this year.

Jack Hautaluoma, Election Commissioner, proposed that the commission president, commissioners, secretaries and class officers all be elected on April 22. Although constitutional problems will arise if the election is held as planned by Hautaluoma the commission voted to back the new election date and procedure.

"Responsibility of filing for office lies in the student's hands," Hautaluoma stressed, "and we hope that the students realize the importance of filing for the posts before the April 13 deadline. The continued success of student government at

UMD depends on the selection of good officers, and this cannot be done if there are no able candidates for the voters to choose from."

Hautaluoma concluded by saying, "All letters of application must be turned into Mr. Falk in OSPS personally, by the candidates."

Direct excerpts from Merritt's proposed program include the following quotes:

"Last spring, the Student Commission considered but never officially acted on naming our new buildings. Therefore, I propose a special committee be set up immediately to give study to this problem and present a report for Commission action."

"Prompt action should be taken on the Student Center Commission's report to be submitted on the government, policy, and program for the new Student Center."

"I think the Commission ought to give thought to establishing a Curriculum Committee with an eye to making suggestions on courses to the Faculty Curriculum Committee. In line with Administration thinking, the Commission ought to be ready to give concrete recommendations for any changes thought advisable in the incidental fee structure."

Inter-Varsity Groups Gather Here Tonight

"Thoughtful talks, worthwhile discussions and warm Christian fellowship" are the expectations of the UMD Christian Fellowship as they play host tonight and all day tomorrow for an annual "Conferette" of district Inter-Varsity groups.

Featured speaker for this short conference will be Mr. James Nyquist, regional director of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. Several other members of the Inter-Varsity staff will also participate as discussion leaders.

Elections were held recently by the UMD group placing the responsibilities for the "Conferette" in Ethel Gustafson, the newly elected president. Roger Engstrom was named vice-president with Elsie Ekstrom voted secretary and Hartley Anderson as treasurer.

The "Conferette" opens at 7:30 tonight in Tweed hall with sessions beginning at 10 a. m., 1 p. m. and 7 p. m. tomorrow in Washburn hall. The question "What Does God Expect from 20th Century Christians?" is the theme to be considered.

Also included on the packed schedule of the "Conferette" is a basketball match between UMD and Superior State representatives for tomorrow afternoon. General recreation is also planned.

Convicted by Conspiracy

A holiday is approaching and the city is becoming crowded with strangers gathering for the celebration. Everyone seems happy and willing to accept anything.

But the authorities are not happy. There is one person in that crowd who is determined to upset their status quo. He has already gained many followers, and with the people in this mood he may get strong support. Already throngs of them have acclaimed him as their leader, but mystifyingly he has refused to accept political leadership.

The authorities are panicked when they find the law will not back them up in prosecuting this man. They decide to go outside the law, rationalizing that the criminal is dangerous, a public menace, even though they have no grounds to convict him.

One of his accomplices is found to have a price and he becomes a witness for the state. He leads the authorities to the man, and the criminal is captured. The arrest and trial at night are illegal, but things must be done quickly before the opposition becomes strong.

Witnesses willing to perjure are found, and finally two agree well enough to close the case. Death by crucifixion is not prescribed by law, but the authorities feel it is fitting for such a dangerous man. Using the method of the occupation army, they ignore the law.

The accomplices of the criminal are sought, but the authorities find that they have fled. Those suspected deny knowing the man. Now the leaders believe the danger has been removed and it not likely to occur again.

The authorities are sure they have done their job well, and they have, but differently from that which they had anticipated. Unwittingly they had been the initiators in fulfilling ancient prophecy, and all the illegality, the suffering, and the shame had also occurred for that purpose.

They are mistaken also in believing the event closed and the troublemaker gone for on the morning after the Passover. He transforms the whole sordid episode into something glorious, and proves His claim that He is the Son of God. Today He is still a troublemaker in the world, yet wanting to upset the status quo.

In the coming Holy Week, commemorating the persecution and crucifixion of this Criminal, the accomplices are still being sought. Again we like the original accomplices want to flee from His suffering and shame and deny knowing Him. That is in the past and has no significance today, we say. Yet this Holy Week the voice of the criminal is loud in our ears, as he pleads with his accomplices, "Could you not watch with me one hour?"

Club Showcase

By Pauline W.

Filling out UMD's religious program are two well-attended student organizations.

LUTHERAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Thursday night at First Lutheran Church sets the scene for LSA and its approximate gathering of one hundred students. An autonomous group, both local and national LSA affairs are handled by student presidents. Rod Anderson, Duluth president and a staff of fifteen other officers and chairmen capably tackle duties.

A tremendously active body, the Association is the founder of Help Week, begun last year for the LSAaction mission program. Six students will leave this weekend for the Washington seminar on government. The club hopes to send several members to the Ashram, student conference, at Banff, Canada in August. Various weekly gatherings feature 40c suppers and discussions, Bible studies, social fun nights and during exam weeks, "Chew-your-nails" coffee sessions. A Lutheran student center near the new campus is a coming highlight.

NEWMAN CLUB

The Newman Club, also one of UMD's largest, pledges support to promote Catholic culture on a secular campus. Top brass here include president Jack Dungan, veep Jerry De Shaw, secretary Bev Godich, and treasurer Frank Zobitz.

One of Newman's featured events was a real Italian-cafe style spaghetti supper which will be repeated soon. Communion breakfasts once a month are attended as a Newman function. An inaugural ball is planned as a sequel to spring election. An invitation is open to meetings at Holy Rosary, Twenty-sixth Avenue East and Fourth Street.

Frosh Survives Exam Hysteria

By DON ROMANO

Why that dirty editor. I've been typing away for the last half an hour and nothing's been coming out and now I find out that friend editor has taken the paper out of the typewriter. If he does that again I'll take my dictionary and go home. That'll show him.

The first part wasn't good anyway so I'll just skip it.

Boy am I tired. Not as tired as I was that week but still plenty tired. Which week? THAT week, you know, "exam week." The tough part about it wasn't that it was exam week but that exams were given at the same time.

When you run up against a course such as . . . every time I reach the end of the line I hear bells . . . Will someone please answer the door . . . Nat. Science 8. You get a question such as where is the sweet taste located in the mouth? I had it right on the tip of my tongue but do you think I could remember it . . . nope.

If anyone thinks I'm a complainer they're right, I am.

Take the 829th question in Soc. 40. I could have sworn it waiked right off the paper. And those tricky questions; I darkened in number seven and there were only six choices.

After the tests I was bushed, so I decided to take a restful rest. And where do you get the most restful rest? Why on a cloud of course. I'll never do it again. According to Geo. 12 a cloud is made of tiny water particles and boy did I get wet.

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Deadline Tuesday

By Harry Hagenbrock

Have you ever wanted to be a politician?

Well here is your chance to enter the field. The filing period for the posts of student commission president, commissionerships, secretary positions and class officers is now open and will stay open until April 13.

But you say you don't know the requirements? Well that alibi is simply disposed of by saying that all the hopeful candidate needs is a C academic average, 39 credits at UMD by Fall Quarter next year and reasonable assurance that he will be enrolled at UMD next year to complete his term of office.

You say the filing procedure is too complicated and you don't know how to go about signing up for office. Baloney, all you have to do is write a letter of application to Mr. Falk in OSPS telling him what office you are filing for and what program you would like to see carried on in your office next year.

Finally to tell you what posts are open, what people are in office this year and what duties they have, the following thumb nail sketch has been prepared to help you choose which office you might care to apply for.

President, Grant Merritt: The number one man in student politics at UMD this year and the able coordinator of all of the commission's many and varied activities. Merritt has guided the student politicians through their first year of the commission type of government at UMD.

Vice President, Tom Johnson: Acts as Student Center Commissioner and has headed the committee toward effective management of Washburn Hall and planning for the new student areas in the new student center.

Convocations Commissioner, Byrne Johnson: Plans and effects convocations, schedules and programs for the student body. Presently planning next year's program of convos to aid the new commissioner.

Public Relations Commissioner, Don Kobs: Serves as publicity man between all student activities and UMD students and the citizens of the area. Outstanding publicity work was done in Sno-Week activities this year by Kobs.

Congress of Student Organizations Commissioner, Dennis La Roque: Has worked toward the union of all student organizations and adoption of uniform constitutions and rules governing them. Major project of the year is the CSO Retreat which La Roque staged at the Northeastern Experimental Station this fall.

Athletic Commissioners, John Banovetz and Ken Perala: Have worked toward scholarship funds, intra-mural systems and athletic improvements at UMD.

Both have recognized problems of school spirit at UMD home games and have attempted to remedy the situation.

Student Welfare Commissioner, Ralph Miller: Outstanding contribution to UMD this year has been renovation of the cafeteria. Generally works toward the betterment of the school conditions for every student at UMD.

Social Activities Commissioner, Ed Alspach: Has maintained social calendar set-up in OSPS with Miss Harrison to promote a well rounded schedule of social events that will be enjoyable to all. Hopes to see a better scheduled calendar next year than this year by planning the events far ahead of the time they will occur.

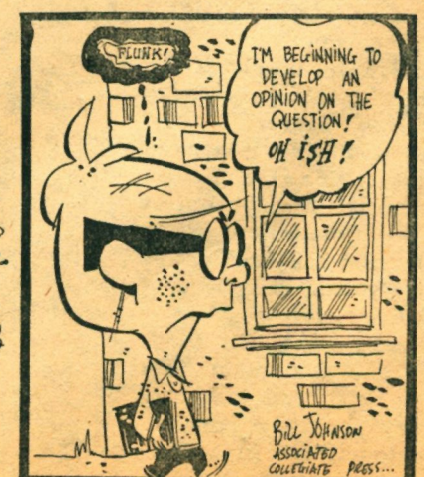
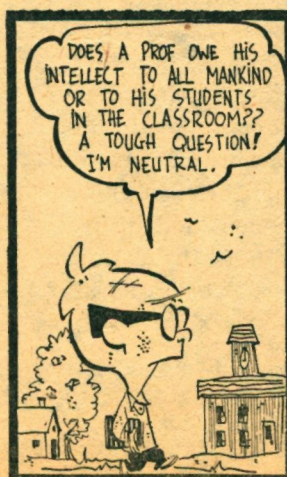
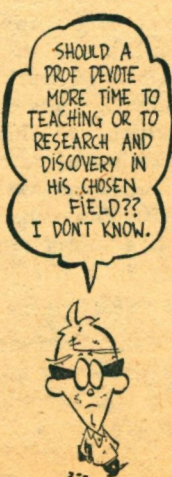
Secretaries of Finance, Recording and Correspondence fill out the remaining commission posts, with Mary Nichols, Mez Moog and Virginia Lampson handling the offices this year.

Class officers also fill posts, however, and they were Senior President, Jack Hautaluoma, elections, Jr. President Bill Shimek, rules and the Jr.-Sr. Prom, Sophomore President Dennis Ojakangas, Freshman Orientation and Frosh President Dennis Shyrack, Freshman relations.

An innovation in commission make-up this year will see the Student Welfare commissioner acting as vice president. Therefore, you must file for both positions if you would file for either post.

If you want good officers, then it will be up to you to either file or get your able friends to file. Don't forget the deadline, April 13, and that it maybe you that will make or break the future of student government at UMD.

ARNOLD



By Bill Johnson

OFFICIAL WEEKLY BULLETIN

FRIDAY, APRIL 1—

UMD Christian Fellowship, "Conferette," Tweed Hall, 7:30 p. m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2—

Junior League Play, "Aladdin and His Magic Lamp" auditorium, 10:30-11:30 a. m., 2:30-3:30 p. m. UMD Christian Fellowship, "Conferette," Washburn Hall, all day.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3—

Gamma Theta Phi, Wash., 7:00 p. m. Sigma Tau Kappa, Main 107, 7:00 p. m.

MONDAY, APRIL 4—

TUESDAY, APRIL 5—

FTA Election of officers, Wash., 6:30-7:30. UMD Christian Fellowship, Main 103.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6—

Beta Phi Kappa, small dining room, cafe., 5:30. Poetry Reading Hour, Tweed Hall, 4:15. Elementary Council, Wash., 7:30. Home Economics Club, Main 313, 7:30.

THURSDAY, APRIL 7—

Wesley Foundation, Endion Methodist Church, 5:30. LSA, First Lutheran Church, 5:00.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8—

Good Friday; holiday.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9—

SUNDAY, APRIL 10—

Easter.—Wesley Foundation-Sunrise Service and Easter Breakfast, Endion Methodist Church.

Those students considering admission to Law School in the Fall of 1955 may wish to take the Law School admission which will be administered on April 23, 1955. Applications, available from the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey, must be filed by April 13. Additional information may be obtained from E. B. Wenzel, Office of Student Personnel Services, Room 211.

E. B. Wenzel, Coordinator of Placement, OSPS.

EXCUSED ABSENCES

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the National Lutheran Council Division of Student Service and Missouri Synod Student Service. An excused absence for classes missed on Friday, April 1 is recommended for the following: Warren Hanson, Norman Arvilla, Rod Anderson, Wilma Stageberg, Marjorie Dahl.

In keeping with established University policy, work missed may be made up in accordance with the usual procedure in each department or division.

R. J. Falk, Acting Director, OSPS.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Parking regulations established by the UMD student-faculty parking committee shall be enforced in the cases of all violators. Repeated violations result in suspension from classes, and notification of such action is placed in the student's official folder. An accumulation of parking violations is not beneficial for any student's record.

R. J. Falk, Chairman, UMD Student-Faculty Discipline Committee.

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Poetry Series Schedule P.M. Sessions

Poetry ranging from Anglo-Saxon and early Medieval times to the present will be included in the spring series of poetry readings in Tweed hall, 2309 East First street, sponsored by the UMD humanities division and department of English.

Leonard Wolf, American poet and series coordinator, announced that the spring series began with readings from the works of Robert Frost by Dr. William Rosenthal, head of the UMD English department, Wednesday, March 30.

An innovation in the series will be two evening presentations at 8 p. m. in Tweed hall. In the first, April 15, Dr. Rosenthal and Dr. Mason Hicks, head of the UMD department of speech, will read from Shakespeare and Spenser, respectively.

On April 28, Lily Salz and Ivan Nylander of the department of modern languages and Mr. Wolf will read from French, Swedish and German poetry.

Others in the afternoon series will be:

April 6, Dr. Wendell Glick (Anne Bradstreet, Edward Taylor); April 13, Miss Salz (French poetry); April 20, Dr. Thomas Sturgeon (English ballads and

selected Anglo-Saxon poetry with translations); April 27, Mabel Culkin (sonnets); May 4 Mr. Wolf (Karl Shapiro, Paul Engle, Theodore Roethke); May 11, Mr. Wolf (original); May 18, Orazio Fumagalli (Dante's Inferno in original Italian); May 25, Dr. Albert Tezla (Blake, Byron, Colridge); June 1, Joseph Duncan (Robinson, Ransome, Tate.)

Sophisticated Swing

By JOHN MORRISON

Well on his way to achieving the title of the nation's College Prom king, Les Elgart has risen like a meteor on the horizon of modern dance music.

Unmistakable in its sound, the Elgart band plays music designed for dancing, but also aimed at the ears of a musically conscious generation.

Les Elgart has played lead trumpet with such well known as Harry James and Charlie Spivak. During the war he served in the Navy, and joined Woody Hermann after his discharge. A few years later, he and his brother Larry, organized the orchestra which may present some very bright and danceable music at the 1955 Junior Prom.

Everybody remember the Prom Convo on April 12th. The Prom band will be announced at this time.

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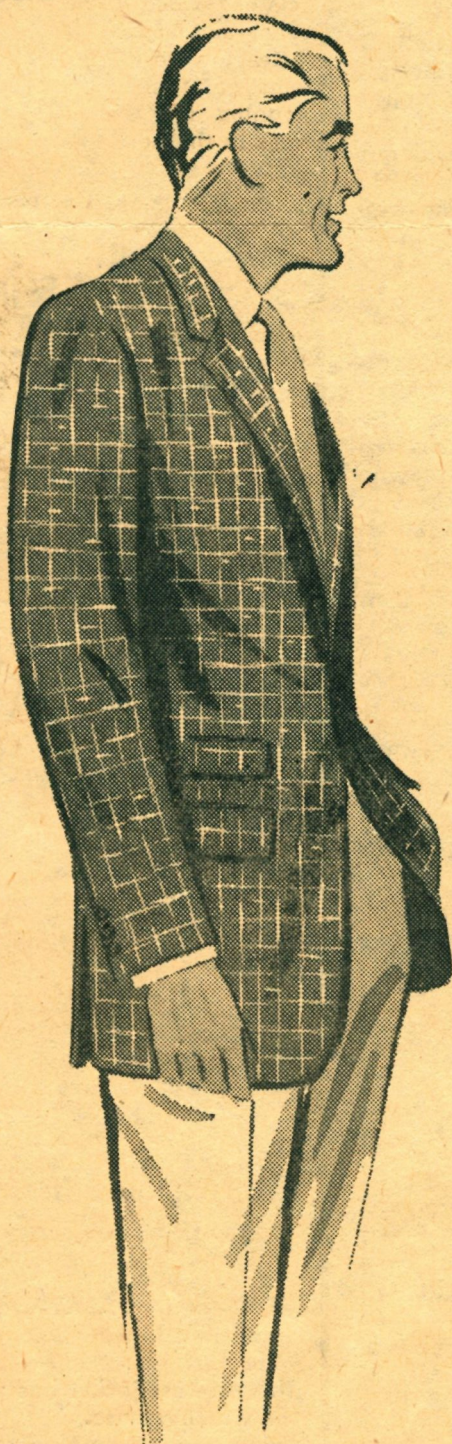
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Golf and Tennis Squads to Begin Seasons Preparations

May 20th and 21st have been set for the Conference championships in Tennis and Golf. The Tennis tournament will be held at Macalester while the Keller golf course will once more be the site of the golf championships.

A full schedule of meets is being arranged with the following meets set up tentatively.

GOLF

St. Thomas at Duluth, May 16
St. Thomas at St. Thomas
Gustavus at St. Peter
MIAC meet at St. Peter May 20th

This schedule will be complemented with meets with the Junior Colleges.

TENNIS

Augsburg and Hamline for the week of May 16th plus Junior college competition.

The strength of the respective teams is unknown at this time although a number of lettermen will be returning. Golf appears strong with John Patrick and Keith McCormick the returning lettermen. A returnee who lettered three years ago when he placed third in the conference meet is R. Lillegdahl.

Tennis veterans who return are Harry Hagenbrock, Howard Saaski, Bob Hatten, Bruce Bickson and John Lund.

Dr. Lew Rickert is the coach of both squads.

Stickney Heads Track Returnees

Old Sol will be called upon to do a fast job of drying the cinder path in hopes of a few outdoor practices before the first competition in the Carleton Relays on April 22. The cindermen were unable, because of the unpredictable weather, to venture outside until after the Relays last spring.

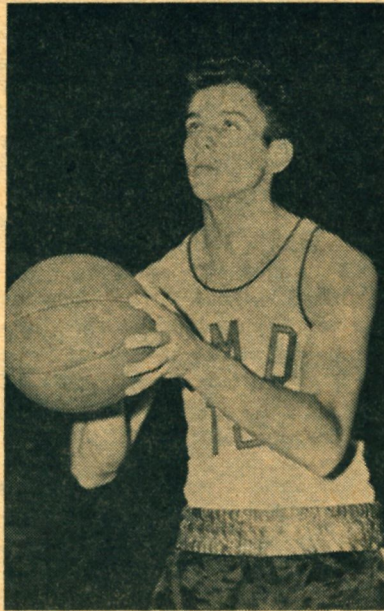
Defending MIAC champion is St. Thomas which UMD meets only once before the conference gathering on May 21 at Hamline. Macalester hosted the meet a year ago.

Dave Stickney, the Bulldogs' brilliant junior miler, is back and regarded a top threat in his specialties, the mile and two-mile. Stickney was virtually unbeaten last year until the conference showdown when he ran third to the Tommies one-two punch of Dunn and Moriarty.

Aside from Stickney, Gerlach has another sure pointgetter returning in the pole vault—Bob Hughes. Dick McDonald will be available for the shot.

After the Carleton meet the remaining schedule marks competition in the St. Thomas Open on April 30; St. John's and Hamline at Duluth on May 6; St. John's and St. Cloud at St. St. Cloud on May 10; Hamline and Augsburg at Hamline on May 14 and the conference May 21.

With spring temperatures apparently here to stay track and field aspirants need only wait until Coach Joe Gerlach gathers them together.



Doug Rossi, Mountain Iron was recently chosen to captain the 1955 Basketball Squad.

Badminton and Softball To Head Spring Intramurals

By Don Romano

Basketball shifts into the background and softball and Badminton take over the spotlight as UMD's Intramural schedule moves into spring activities.

All that is left for basketball are the playoffs which will begin immediately. The Intramural committee has drawn up a plan to select the eight best teams out of a field of seventeen to battle for the championship. The winner will be proclaimed Intramural champs for the 1955 season.

Attempts are being made to inaugurate a Badminton tournament. The success of this venture lies in the interest the students give it. Anyone interested in forming a team or playing can contact Dr. Lew Rickert in his office at the phy ed building.

Team practice sessions will then be held Monday and Wednesday evenings at 7 p. m. at the phy ed building with play to begin in mid-April.

As for softball, the weather holds a key as to when the season will begin with plans being made to get softball under way as soon as possible.

Doug Rossi Chosen To Lead '55 Bulldogs

During a meeting of basketball team members two weeks ago Doug Rossi, a product of the Range hardwoods, was elected captain for the season of 1955-56.

A junior forward counted on as the squad's sixth man through the past winter campaign Rossi succeeds Esko's Mel Koivisto, who was chosen honorary captain for 1954-55.

The Bulldogs had gone along with game captains through the season. Koivisto's selection marks the final episode in a brilliant four-year career as the UMDites playmaking sentinel.

Bulldog Tales

By RALPH ROMANO

The transitional period of sports activities is again at hand here in Bulldog land. The wraps have been put on the hockey sticks and basketballs for another season while tennis rackets and golf clubs are about to make an appearance.

Student interest has never been particularly high in the spring sports mostly because of their lack of spectator appeal. Because of this lack of interest many students feel that the spring program is a waste of time and money. These individuals do not understand the object of the athletic program in any university. The basic objective of athletics is EDUCATION. In some schools this aim is being ignored. Too much accent on a particular sport or sports tends to lower the educational standards of the institution.

We can prevent such a situation from ever occurring at UMD by supporting all athletics including our fine intramural program. Education is the goal of our athletic department and although certain sports which support themselves do get more play we have kept a well rounded program in operation.

FROM THE DOGHOUSE

Progress on the hockey front . . . Next year's MIAC schedule has been drawn up with Augsburg a new addition . . . Word is that Jim Bockland and Wally Akervick, stars of the Duluth entry in the International Juvenile Tournament may be wearing the Maroon and Gold of UMD next season . . . our coach and uniforms helped make Duluth's team the sharp looking outfit it was . . . St. Thomas the defending track champion, reports that they expect UMD to provide their major opposition. . . coach Norm Olson spent much of his time during the high school tournaments scouting prospects for next season . . . his determination will probably meet with success.

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